## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

JOSHUA I. PAYNE, : No. 1:23cv532

Plaintiff

(Judge Munley)

:

v. : (Magistrate Judge Bloom)

:

M. GOURLEY, et al.

**Defendants** 

ORDER

AND NOW, to wit, this day of March 2025, for the reasons set forth in an accompanying memorandum, it is hereby ORDERED that:

- Plaintiff Joshua I. Payne's objection (Doc. 48) to a Report and Recommendation ("R&R") issued by Chief Magistrate Judge Daryl F. Bloom is **OVERRULED**;
- Defendants' motion for summary judgment (Doc. 38) is GRANTED on other grounds;
- 3) The R&R's conclusion that Payne failed to exhaust his administrative remedies (Doc. 47) is **ADOPTED**;
- As alternative grounds for disposition of plaintiff's Eighth Amendment claim relative to his cell conditions, the R&R's application of <u>Talley v.</u>
   <u>Clark</u>, 111 F.4th 255 (3d Cir. 2024) is **ADOPTED**; and
- 5) The Clerk of Court is directed to close this case.

BY THE COURT:

JUDGE JULIA K. MUNLEY
United States District Court